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SUBJ: W/W SALTERS MCCLARY, USC, 15 YEARS OLD

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1. SENATOR THURMOND INTERESTED.
2. CONSOFF TALKED WITH BOTH SERGE AND MCCLARY BY
TELEPHONE AFTERNOON JULY 20.
3. ACCORDING SERGE, CRUISE HAS BEEN A FAILURE
(IT WAS MEANT TO END IN MID-SEPTEMBER) BECAUSE OF
ILL DISCIPLINED CHILDREN WHO CAME TO PARTY AND NOT LEARN.
THEY HAVE ALL HAD MORE MONEY THAN THEY NEEDED AND ALL
WERE FREE SPENDERS WHO ENJOYED TIME SPENT IN PUBS AND
RESTAURANTS ASHORE OVER SEAGOING LIFE. WORST PUPIL
AND BIGGEST DISCIPLINE PROBLEM WAS NICKY VORHAUS,
SISTER OF DAVID VORHOUS WHO IS PROBABLY SECOND CHILD
DESCRIBED IN REFTEL. ACCORDING TO BOTH MCCLARY AND
SERGE, VORHAUS BOY LEFT ST. LUCIA FOR THE U.S. VIA EASTERN
AIRLINES QUOTE ALMOST A WEEK AGO END QUOTE ALTHOUGH
NEITHER COULD NAME DATE. CONTACT PHONE HELD BY SERGE IS
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(212) KI39447. THIS IS BELIEVED TO BE UNLISTED
PHONE OF PHYSICIAN FATHER.

4. NICKY VORHAUS IS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO NEW
YORK JULY 21 WITH FIRST LEG EASTERN FLIGHT
792 LEAVING ST. LUCIA AT 0833 FOR SAN JUAN. MCCLARY IS
ALSO CONFIRMED ABOARD THAT FLIGHT WITH ONWARD RESERVATION

TO MIAMI, ATLANTA, AND CHARLESTON. HE SAID HE'D TALKED
WITH PARENTS JULY 20 BY PHONE FROM CASTRIES. DEPARTMENT
MAY PASS ALL OF THE ABOVE TO PARENTS.

5. COMMENT: MCCLARY AND VORHAUS ARE TWO OF THREE
CHILDREN ABOUT WHOM INQUIRIES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY
EMBASSY. ON JULY 18, MRS. ANITA SERRA OF SAN JUAN
PHONED, ASKED FOR ASSISTANCE IN RELAYING FUNDS TO HER
DAUGHTER, LETI STELLA, ANOTHER STUDENT OF FLOATING SCHOOL.
MRS. SERRA HAS SINCE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH HER DAUGHTER
DIRECTLY BY PHONE, MONEY HAS BEEN PASSED, AND GIRL WILL BE
ON SAME SAN JUAN FLIGHT AS OTHER TWO CHILDREN. THESE THREE
ARE LAST OF THE CHILDREN ENROLLED; ALL OTHERS LEFT AT
SOME EARLIER DATE. SERGE SAYS HE HELD TICKETS AND PASSPORTS
FOR YOUNG TRAVELERS BECAUSE HE FELT RESPONSIBILITY TO
SEE TO THEIR SAFE DELIVERY INTO HANDS OF AIRLINES PERSONNEL
AT PORT OF EMBARKATION ESPECIALLY SINCE ALL HAD EXPRESSED
WISH TO STOP OFF ENROUTE HOME FOR THE FUN OF IT.

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